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Folks,

I just want to add my voice to the list of concerned citizens that feel that Microsoft is getting off way too lightly based on what I read on the settlement documents with the DOJ.

Their punishment should be financial...cold hard cash. Give that to the foundation. Allow the foundation to give it to school districts and let those school districts spend it on the technologies of their choice.

Allowing Microsoft to provide their software is absolutely no punishment at all and is simply making the DOJ a marketing partner in their efforts to make the world run on Microsoft products at the expense of other software vendors.

It only expands their grasp..."seed the educational institutions and reap the benefit later when those kids hit the business world".

Please do not acquiesce to the current offer terms.